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AMENDMENT "A" PRIOR TO ACTION

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INVENTION: "METHOD AND SWITCHING UNIT FOR
COMMUNICATING DATA ACCORDING TO THE
ATM PROTOCOL AND THE INTERNET
PROTOCOL"

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants herewith amend the above-referenced PCT application,
and request entry of the Amendment prior to examination on the United
States National Examination Phase.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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**METHOD AND SWITCHING UNIT FOR COMMUNICATING DATA
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PROTOCOL**

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--;

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in line 5, after "The" insert --present--;
in line 8, cancel "payload" substitute --message-- therefor;
in line 18, cancel "are" substitute --is-- therefor;
in line 20, cancel "contain" substitute --contains-- therefor;